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A TIME OF GIVING

The Arboretum of Los Angeles County is more than what greets the eye. In addition to its natural beauty, it is also a public service organization that exists to fulfill a singular mission...

education... in the broadest sense. As such, we are able to serve the greater community in countless ways.

I would like to share with you some recent events that reflect the ethos of our beloved arboretum and members.

A gift from us...

We have just recently offered each of the City of Arcadia's uniformed public safety officers and their families an annual membership in The Arboretum. On a daily basis, these hearty souls and their loved ones face life-threatening and fearful activities for the benefit of our community.

We want them to know and feel that they are greatly appreciated. We want them to know and enjoy all of the wonders and benefits that The Arboretum has to offer: a place that they can go to for peace of mind; safely stroll with their loved ones; escape the pressures of our *hyper-turbulent* world; and feel that their quality of life is enhanced each and every time they visit our jewel... The Arboretum of Los Angeles County.

Additionally, for their enjoyment, there are many class offerings for the young and somewhat older, special events and the California Philharmonic Orchestra's concert series *Concerts on the Green*. Every day there is the opportunity for early morning walks, to be away-

from-it-all and wander through our environs, listen to our wildlife, our streams and waterfall, see our history and beauty, and most of all delight in our quietness.

A gift to us...

Another important event happened recently and on behalf of all of us, I sincerely thank Alyce and Warren Williamson who have so magnanimously underwritten the costs of our cutting-edge art exhibit, "Cross-Pollination". This exhibit will be featured in our Australian Greenhouse during the month of November.

Their foresight, belief in our activities and generosity to make it happen is an example of what is so greatly needed from all of us to enable The Arboretum of Los Angeles County to achieve the excellence for which it is destined.

So as we continue to strive towards excellence in all that we do, please support us with your participation by attending our fascinating programs and events, volunteering and providing ongoing financial support.

We need your support

The Arboretum's Annual Appeal is upon us and we need your support. The investment in heartfelt time and effort that the staff, board members and volunteers make day in and day out to fulfill our educational mission is enormous. We all are working to create new programming, offer exciting and timely displays, upgrade our horticultural presentations and work with designers to be more responsive to the needs of the membership and other guests. It comes at a price.

We need your ongoing assistance to continue the great developments that are already planned and are being planned for the future. I sincerely urge you to kindly consider an extra effort on your part to make this annual appeal more successful than ever. I promise that if you make such an effort, you will see an even better return on your investment in The Arboretum. We cannot do it without you.

Peter Atkins, CEO

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A FAMILY AFFAIR

A garden can stimulate families to learn together by way of their shared history and familiarity with one another. Gardens can enrich family experiences by offering direct and potential learning experiences, which can be shared immediately, or even long after the garden visit.

Through our "Cross-Pollination" exhibit, The Arboretum is inviting children and families to share in family learning experiences. Family Fun Sundays provide an opportunity for whole families, or just one or two members, to participate in inexpensive yet exciting quality programs. In these busy times, it is not often that families can share in a productive activity, and we hope to provide a peaceful, beautiful place where people can learn and grow with their loved ones.

In planning for the educational portion of this exhibit, we sought programs which would complement and allow for further interpretation of the art on display. The Armory's partnering with The Arboretum on December 2nd provides an additional dimension, and we are very pleased to have them join us in our mission of education.

We hope that you join us during the "Cross-Pollination" exhibit; bring your family, friends, colleagues or come solo!

Gail L. Shair

Director of Education

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE ARBORETUM

1. The Conceptual Long Range Plan:

With the agreement with Nancy Goslee Power & Associates signed, with a very constructive 'kick-off' meeting (including a champagne toast) behind us, work on the plan is now officially under way.

As you probably know, the plan will be the basis of, and set the standard for, The Arboretum's development as a truly world-class and uniquely Southern California arboretum and botanic garden.

Expecting to complete the plan next summer, we'll keep you informed of progress, and will always welcome your input as the plan takes shape.

2. The Annual Meeting:

The annual meeting took place on Sunday, September 30th.

Foundation treasurer Perry Wilder gave a brief financial overview. Several foundation trustees — John Fee, Lou Jones, Bill Hildeburn, David Hu, Maribeth McGinley, Brian Nash and Peg Rahn — were re-elected. Kathy Gillespie, Jerry Miller and Donivee Nash were thanked for their now-completed service on the board. Donivee especially was thanked for her leadership as board president at a time of major change at The Arboretum. (A current board roster appears elsewhere in this newsletter.)

Los Vols President Virginia Stein spoke of the important role the Vols play throughout The Arboretum.

Peter Atkins introduced senior Arboretum staff, who gave excellent presentations about what they're doing and planning at The Arboretum.

Nancy Goslee Power's illustrated talk describing some of her work and some of her ideas for The Arboretum excited our imaginations about what The Arboretum can, and we hope will, become.

3. The Arboretum's new Advisory Board:

With key help from Peter Atkins, the foundation board has recently formed an Arboretum Advisory Board, whose membership includes widely-respected Southern Californians with a demonstrated interest in The Arboretum, leaders of local organizations whose purposes and activities parallel or compliment those of The Arboretum itself, and individuals from across the country with acknowledged expertise in horticulture, botany, the operations and activities of public gardens and other relevant subjects.

The Advisory Board, and its individual members, will offer us their advice — both solicited and unsolicited — on a broad range of subjects and, no less important, serve as positive ambassadors for The Arboretum to the wider community.

The Advisory Board members are:

Donivee Nash, Chair
Former Foundation board president

Joan Banning
Former president, Diggers Garden Club

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Former Foundation board president

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Former Foundation board member

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Alyce Williamson
Member, Board of Governors, Los Angeles County Arboreta & Botanic Gardens

Judith D. Zuk
President, Brooklyn Botanic Garden, Brooklyn, New York

The presidents of Pasadena Beautiful (unnamed at the moment), the

Diggers Garden Club and the Pasadena Garden Club serve as ex officio members.

We wholeheartedly welcome these distinguished individuals to the Advisory Board, thank them for joining this important group, and look forward to a productive dialog with them as we move forward together.

4. The Annual Report and the Annual Appeal:

By now you have received or will soon receive The Arboretum's annual report and the accompanying annual appeal.

The annual report highlights important things that happened last year and plans for this year and beyond. It also shows that we have a lot to do as we work to become a unique, truly world-class arboretum and botanic garden.

We trust you agree that, if anywhere in the world can, and should, have such a place, it is Southern California.

We welcome and appreciate your continuing interest, involvement and support. Please respond generously to our annual appeal.

On behalf of the foundation's board of trustees, I send all good wishes,

George A. Brumder,
Foundation Board
President



Welcome Members

July 1 - September 30, 2001

The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation welcomes new and renewing members to The Arboretum family. A sincere thank you to everyone listed here!

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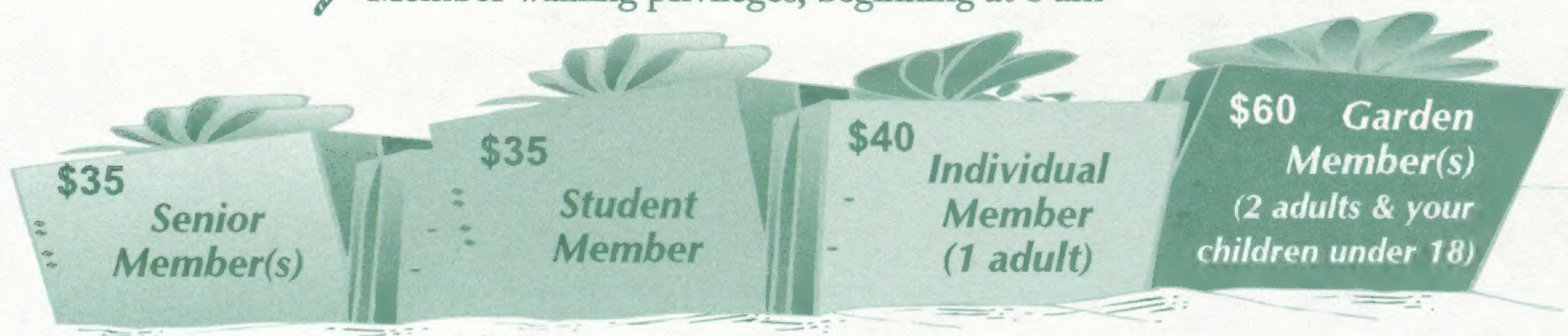
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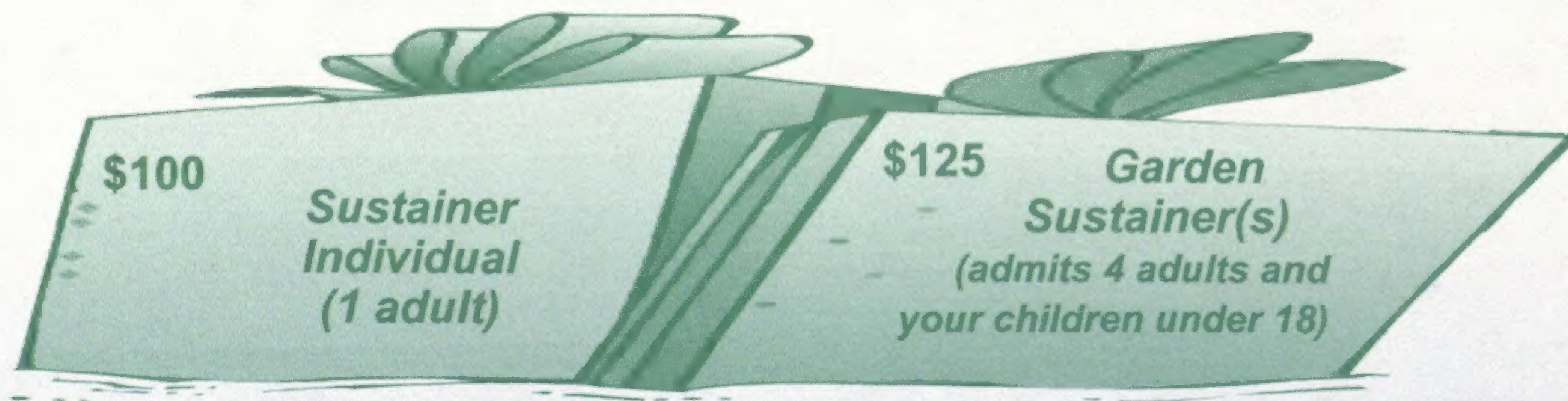
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- 🎁 Admission to more that 100 reciprocating gardens throughout the United States
- 🎁 10% discount in The Arboretum Gift Shop
- 🎁 Members only discount available for most classes, workshops, lectures, tours, family programs and special events
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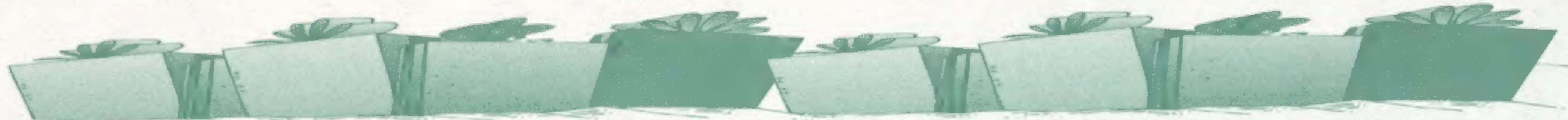


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CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES

NOVEMBER, DECEMBER AND JANUARY 2001-2002

PLEASE CALL (626) 821-4623 FOR RESERVATIONS.

CROSS-POLLINATION EXHIBIT NOVEMBER 4 - DECEMBER 2, 2001

FAMILY FUN WORKSHOP SERIES:

Sundays
Suggested for ages 6 and older or families.

Through our educational programs, we hope to bring out the artist in every guest as they find their own unique inspiration to re-create their concept of nature. *See page five of the newsletter for more information.*

**CHALK FLOWERS
SIDEWALK MURAL**
November 4
Noon - 2 pm
\$7 / \$9 non-members

MOSAIC FLOWERS
November 4
2 - 4 pm
\$7 / \$9 non-members

**FREE FAMILY FLOWER
CRAFT WORKSHOP**
November 11
Noon - 2 pm

**BOTANICAL
PAINTING -
ON THE WILD SIDE**
November 11
2 pm - 4 pm
\$9 / \$12 non-members

FLOWER FAIRIES
November 18
2 pm - 4 pm
\$9 / \$12 non-members

**FREE FAMILY FLOWER
CRAFT WORKSHOP**
November 25
(Thanksgiving Weekend)
Noon - 2 pm

**WIRE FLOWER
SCULPTURES**
November 25
2 - 4 pm
\$9 / \$12 non-members

**FREE FAMILY FLOWER
CRAFT WORKSHOP**
December 2
Noon - 2 pm

**FLORAL
PAPERMAKING**
December 2
2 - 4 pm
\$9 / \$12 non-members

HOW TO PLANT A MEDICINAL GARDEN

Saturday, November 3
9 am - 1 pm

Education Greenhouse
Stephanie Georgieff,
Instructor

\$18 / \$22 non-members

Come and learn how to design, grow, harvest and process medicinal herbs in your garden. Special emphasis on indoor and container gardens that include herbs for relieving minor ailments. We will also make a salve, tincture and syrup in the class. Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes for a walk to The Arboretum Herb Garden. Bring a clean baby food jar so you can take your salve home.

GARDEN SPROUTS - SATURDAY KIDS GARDENING CLUB! KIDS AGES 5 - 8

1st Saturday
of each month

October 2001 - June 2002

9:00 - 11:00 am

Roots and Shoots Garden:
enter at Old Ranch Rd.
(off of Colorado Blvd.)

Lisa Beach, Instructor

Members: \$25 per quarter
or \$10 each Saturday

Non-members: \$30 per
quarter, or \$12 each
Saturday

We'll be spending our
days planting and
tending our garden,
playing nature games,
and learning gardening
crafts!

FALL QUARTER:

PANSY MANIA!
October 6

We'll plant pansies for
the fall, press pansies,
and make notecards!

DIRT AND WORM DAY!
November 3

Come and make a
worm composter and
worm windsocks!

GARDEN CRAFTS
December 1

We'll make birdhouses
for our garden, and
many more nature
crafts that you can use
for the holidays!

WINTER QUARTER:

**GARDEN JOURNALING
FOR JANUARY!**
January 5

Come make nature
prints and flower
photos!

INDOOR GARDENING
February 2

Plant seeds and make
your own terrarium!

GARDEN ART DAY!
March 2

Come make mosaic
stepping stones &
artful watering cans!

SPRING QUARTER

PLANTING VEGGIES

April 6

It's planting day in the
Vegetable Garden!!

YUMMY FLOWERS!

May 4

Learn to make tasty
treats from our flower
friends!

HARVEST PARTY!

June 1

Come and enjoy the
food you grew and the
friends you made!

AN INTRODUCTION TO CALIFORNIA'S NATIVE PLANTS

Wednesday, November 14

10 am - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Elizabeth Schwartz,
Instructor

\$15 / \$18 non-members

Learn to weave
California natives into
your garden tapestry.
We'll cover plant
selection, maintenance,
irrigation and more as
you discover the merits
of gardening with
California plants. You'll
also learn to use native
plants in special
situations such as
shade, groundcover,
color effect, small
spaces and hillsides.





ROSE PRUNING

Saturday, December 1

9 am - Noon

Victorian Rose Garden

Bill Robinson, Instructor and Volunteer Curator of the Rose Garden

\$15 / \$18 non-members

Proper pruning promotes healthy spring growth and a bounty of flowers. Learn different techniques for different types of roses. Learn to identify suckers, and techniques to cut away old and diseased growth. Join Bill in the Rose Garden for a hands-on pruning demonstration. Allow for a 10-minute walk to the Rose Garden.

TAI CHI IN THE GARDEN

Every Tuesday and Friday

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Marvin Quon, Instructor

Free to members

Meet on the lawn near the main Baldwin Avenue entrance in front of the fountains.

MAKE A WREATH!

Wednesday, December 5

10 am - Noon

Marla Carter and Delores Keller, Instructors Ayres Hall

\$20 / \$25 non-members (all materials included)

Using fresh greens (both the traditional and the unusual) from The Arboretum grounds, make a wreath to welcome in the holidays. All materials will be provided. Please bring your own gardening gloves, clippers and wire cutters (and any decorations you may wish to add to your creation!).

This very special class is a tradition at The Arboretum, and the instructors graciously (and generously!) donate all proceeds to the Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation.

ETHNOBOTANY LECTURE: "RAINFOREST CONSERVATION AND THE SEARCH FOR NEW JUNGLE MEDICINES" BY DR. MARK PLOTKIN

Wednesday, December 5

8:00 pm

Ayres Hall

Lecture: \$12 / \$15 non-members; \$8 for students with identification

See page four of the newsletter for more information.

FAMILY YULE LOG WORKSHOP

Saturday, December 8

Two Classes:

10 am or 11 am

Lecture Hall A and B

Celena Turney, Instructor

\$10 per log for members/

\$12 per log for non-members

RESERVATIONS ESSENTIAL!!!

Begin the holiday season with a wonderful family project. Bring family and friends to make their very own special Yule log. Decorate with pinecones, seeds, greens, berries and other natural treasures from The Arboretum grounds. You are limited only by your imagination! At the end of the season, you may actually burn the log in your fireplace!

HOLIDAY TOPIARY: FLORAL WORKSHOP

Wednesday, December 12

9 am - Noon

Lecture Hall B

Fran Kopinski, Instructor

\$20 / \$25 non-members

\$25 materials fee payable to the instructor at time of registration

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

8 student minimum, 18 student maximum

Make a fabulous topiary arrangement in the shape of a star, fill it with flowers, greens, ornaments and lights - and celebrate the joy of the season! Join Fran Kopinski, noted floral designer, in creating an arrangement that will capture the beauty of the holidays, and will amaze your family and friends! Fran notes that the retail value of this arrangement is \$125. All materials included. Please bring clippers and a small knife.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN

Mount San Antonio College Credit Course

Mondays, January 7 - May 20

11 am - 4 pm

Lecture Hall A & B

3 Units credit

Kelly Kubica, Instructor

\$41 to Mt. San Antonio College; \$30 to The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation (includes semester pass to The Arboretum)

Fundamentals and history of landscape design for residential and commercial sites. Proper drawing and drafting skills, site evaluation, design methods, landscaping materials and plant usage. YOU MUST ATTEND THE FIRST CLASS OR RISK CANCELLATION, AS MT. SAC HAS A MINIMUM ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENT. DECISIONS ARE MADE AT THIS FIRST CLASS. For further information, please call Mt. San Antonio (909) 594-5611, ext. 4540.



INFORMATION: Call (626) 821-4623 or (626) 821-4624 for information or to register for a class. Please fax to (626) 821-4642 or mail your registration form with your method of payment to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007-2697.

Reservations are required for all classes, programs and events. Registration on the day of the program is allowed if space is available.

NO CONFIRMATION IS SENT. ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERRABLE. However, classes may be cancelled due to low registration. Cancelled classes are fully refunded.

Special assistance is available for people with disabilities. Call the Program Manager at (626) 821-4623 at least one week prior to the program for specific requests.

REGISTRATION ONE CLASS/EVENT PER FORM PLEASE

Class/Event

LAAF Member

No. of people

Total

\$

\$

Please make checks payable to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation (LAAF)

Non-Member

No. of people

Total

\$

\$

Signature required for all credit card charges

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**GREEN SIDE UP:
THE BASICS OF
GARDENING SERIES**

Wednesday Afternoons
2:30 - 4:30 pm
Education Greenhouse
Lisa Beach, Instructor

Learn the ins and outs
of basic gardening
skills!

**GREEN SIDE UP:
WINTER
PERENNIAL BASICS**

6 Wednesdays,
January 9 - February 13
\$65 / \$80 non-members

1/9 ROSES ARE RED

Roses: history, care and
varieties

1/16 ROOTS FOR YOU

All about bulbs, stolons
rhizomes and tubers

**1/23 EAT'UMS AND
SMELLIES**

Herbs: history, care,
and varieties

**1/30 THE TALL
AND THE SMALL**

Trees & shrubs:
varieties and care for
your yard

2/6 GO NATIVE!

Learn about our native
California plants

2/13 EASY DOES IT

Top 20 easy care
perennials for our region

**GREEN SIDE UP:
SPRING
THEME GARDEN
BASICS**

6 Wednesdays,
March 6 - April 10
\$65 / \$80 non-members

**3/6 PLANT A POT OF
POSIES**

Container garden basics

**3/13 FOOD FOR
THOUGHT**

Vegetable garden basics

**3/20 GARDEN OF
MEMORIES**

Fragrance garden basics

3/27 GOT WATER!

Drought-tolerant garden
basics

**4/3 GARDENS ALL-A-
FLUTTER**

Butterfly & humming-
bird garden basics

4/10 FLOWER POWER

Edible flower garden
basics

**BOTANICAL
WATERCOLOR
WORKSHOP**

8 Mondays,
January 7 - February 25
9:30 - 11:30 am

Education Greenhouse

\$35 / \$42 non-members

Enjoy painting fresh
flowers with fellow
watercolorists. This
self-directed work-
shop (no official
instructor) provides an
opportunity for
painters to learn from
one another and
provides a place to
paint in an encourag-
ing and supportive
environment.

**BOTANICAL
ILLUSTRATION I:
BASIC DRAWING**

4 Wednesdays,
January 9 - 30

9 am - Noon

Peacock Cafe Annex

Sally Jacobs, Instructor

\$120 / \$140 non-members

6 student minimum,
15 student maximum

Use traditional methods
of rendering and learn
to observe and draw
accurately. This class
helps beginning and
experienced students
fine-tune their drawing
skills.

**CONTINUED
STUDIES IN
BOTANICAL
ILLUSTRATION**

4 Wednesdays,
January 9 - 30

9 am - Noon

Peacock Cafe Annex

Sally Jacobs, Instructor

\$120 / \$140 non-members

Continue your studies
in botanical illustration.
Sign up for the current
botanical illustration
class and work
independently.
Prerequisite: Previous
class in Botanical
Illustration.

**PEN AND INK
ILLUSTRATION**

January 10 - 14
(Thursday - Monday)

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

Lecture Hall B

\$300 / \$340 non-members

Carol Morley, Instructor
from The New York
Botanical Garden

This course teaches the
fundamentals of pen and
ink techniques. Learn to
use a crowquill pen and
work directly from live
and dried plants to
develop an ink drawing.
A materials list is sent
with your confirmation.

**CARBON DUST
ILLUSTRATION**

January 15 - 16
(Tuesday - Wednesday)

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

Lecture Hall B

\$140 / \$170 non-members

Carol Morley, Instructor
from The New York
Botanical Garden

Carbon dust rendering
allows the artist to
achieve photographic
realism by brushing
ground carbon dust onto
coated paper. Create
fine detail and hard
edges using tools and
techniques. The
instructor will bring
drawing subjects or you
may bring your own.

Carol Ann Morley,
a recognized botanical
artist, whose work has
been in numerous
publications and shows,
also teaches at the
University of New
Hampshire.

**FANATIC
GARDENERS**

8 Thursdays
January 10 - February 28

8 Fridays

January 11 - March 1

9:30 - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Jan Smithen, Instructor

CURRENTLY FILLED.

Call (626) 821-4623 to join
the waiting list.

**NEW SERIES:
GARDENING IN A
MEDITERRANEAN
CLIMATE**

6 Tuesdays

January 15 - February 19

10 am - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Jill Vig, Instructor

\$70 / \$85 non-members

This class will focus on
gardening in a Mediter-
ranean environment and
look at classic elements
one finds in Mediterra-
nean landscapes with
an emphasis on an
organic approach. *See
page six of the newsletter
for more information.*

IKEBANA

8 Fridays

January 18 - March 8

9:30 - 11:30 am

Lecture Hall B

Reiko Kawamura,
Instructor

\$65 / \$80 non-members

\$24 materials fee payable
to the instructor

Learn Japanese cultural
traditions and practice
Moribana, Heika and
landscape arrangement
techniques. Bring a 10"
to 12" shallow con-
tainer, clippers and
needle holder (frog) to
the first class.

**GARDENING WITH
A SENSE OF PLACE:
USING
CALIFORNIA'S
NATIVE PLANTS**

Wednesday, January 23

10 am - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Elizabeth Schwartz,
Instructor

\$15 / \$18 non-members

There are over 5,000
species of California
native plants and
thousands more cultivars.
Use this diversity in your
own landscape to create
or restore habitat, find
solutions for particular
site conditions, and
garden in harmony with
nature.

BIRD WALK

Saturday, January 26

8 am - 11 am

Meet on the steps of
The Arboretum entrance

Nelson Holmes, Guide,
Birder and Naturalist

\$10 / \$12 non-members

Join Nelson Holmes,
Arboretum Senior Tour
Guide, for a birding
tour of The Arbore-
tum, host to a variety
of bird species, and
the stopping off point
for many more
migratory birds. Bring
a field guide and
optics. All levels of
birders are encouraged
to attend.

SAVE THE DATES

MUSHROOMS

Saturday, February 2
9 am to Noon

Dr. Jerry Turney,
Instructor

\$20 / \$25 nonmember

**EARLY FLOWERING
TREE TALK AND
WALK**

Saturday, February 9
10 am to Noon

Dr. Jerry Turney,
Instructor

\$15 / \$18 non-members

**GOURDS IN THE
GARDEN &
TRELLIS-MAKING
WORKSHOP**

Sunday, February 17
1 - 4 pm

Instructors:
Leigh Adams
and Gail Shair

\$30 / \$36 non-members

**VEGETABLE
GARDENS**

Wednesday, February 20

9:30 am to Noon

Ralph Crane, Instructor

\$15 / \$18 non-members

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Walking Tour: Every Wednesday, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 11 am for a guided walk. Free with admission.

Bird Watching: First Sunday of each month, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 8 am for a guided walk to identify birds in The Arboretum. Free with admission.

Santa Anita Depot: Open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am-4 pm; Sundays, 1-4 pm. Free with admission.

Free Arboretum Admission: Third Tuesday of each month.

November

4 Family Fun Workshop Botanical Illustration	5 Herbaceous Plants	6 Tai Chi	7	8	9 Ikebana	10 Plant a Medicinal Garden Garden Sprouts
11 Family Fun Workshop	12 Herbaceous Plants	13 Tai Chi	14 Introduction to California's Native Plants	15	16 Tai Chi Ikebana	17
18 Family Fun Workshop Botanical Illustration	19 Herbaceous Plants	20 Tai Chi	21	22	23 Tai Chi	24
25 Family Fun Workshop	26 Herbaceous Plants	27 Tai Chi	28	29	30 Tai Chi	1 New Member Tram Tour Garden Sprouts Rose Pruning

December

2 Family Fun Workshop Botanical Illustration	3 Herbaceous Plants	4 Tai Chi	5 Make A Wreath! Ethnobotanical Lecture: Dr. Mark Plotkin	6	7 Tai Chi	8 Family Yule Log Workshop
9 Queen Anne Cottage Open House	10 Herbaceous Plants	11 Tai Chi	12 Holiday Topiary - Floral Workshop	13	14 Tai Chi	15
16	17	18 Tai Chi	19	20	21 Tai Chi	22
23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28 Tai Chi	29

January

30	31	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 Tai Chi	5 Garden Sprouts
6 Herbal and Medicinal Tea Ceremony	7 Botanical Watercolor Landscape Design	8 Tai Chi	9 Green Side Up Basic Drawing	10 Pen & Ink Illustration Fanatic Gardeners	11 Tai Chi Pen & Ink Illustration Fanatic Gardeners	12 Pen & Ink Illustration
13 Pen & Ink Illustration Flower Tea Ceremony	14 Botanical Watercolor Landscape Design Pen & Ink Illustration	15 Tai Chi Carbon Dust Illustration Gardening in a Mediterranean Climate	16 Green Side Up Basic Drawing Carbon Dust Illustration	17 Fanatic Gardeners	18 Tai Chi Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana	19 Baiko-En Bonsai Kenkyukai Show
20 Baiko-En Bonsai Kenkyukai Show English and Western Tea Ceremony	21 Botanical Watercolor Landscape Design	22 Tai Chi Gardening in a Mediterranean Climate	23 Green Side Up Basic Drawing Gardening with Calif. Native Plants	24 Fanatic Gardeners	25 Tai Chi Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana	26 Bird Walk
27 Chinese Tea Ceremony	28 Botanical Watercolor Landscape Design	29 Tai Chi Gardening in a Mediterranean Climate	30 Green Side Up Basic Drawing	31 Fanatic Gardeners		

A BEHIND THE SCENES LOOK...

Our members and visitors rarely have the opportunity to visit and get a first hand glimpse of The Arboretum's greenhouses and nursery facilities. The importance of these facilities to the operation of The Arboretum is immense.

Our greenhouses and nursery are used to propagate, grow, and nurture plants for the many collections we currently have and future collections still being planned. Plants obtained for the collections may have arrived into the nursery in the form of seeds, vegetative cuttings or live plants. Often the material comes from private collectors, other botanical institutions, and even from native habitats around the world.

Thousands of Plants Grown

There are literally thousands of plants being grown in our facilities. Some, such as the *Ceratonia oreoethauma*, a close relative of the Carob tree, are nearing extinction or, even worse, are now extinct. Often, arboreta and botanical garden nursery facilities have become the Noah's Ark for the plant world.

Tropical Plants

At the moment, we are working on developing a collection of culturally significant tropical plants that will eventually find their home in our Tropical Display Greenhouse. These plants are now merely pampered seedlings and/or recently rooted cuttings. Once these plants mature, they will be added to the Display House collections.

Orchids

Six of our greenhouses are home to one of the largest collection of orchids in the western United States. With approximately 10,000 plants, this collection is of world-class stature and provides blooming plants that can be seen year around in The Arboretum Rotunda and Tropical Display Greenhouses.

Baldwin Bonanza Offerings

Most of the plants propagated at The Arboretum for the annual Baldwin Bonanza Festival of Plants Sale are grown in the Education Greenhouse and Nursery. The Education Greenhouse and Nursery is maintained by volunteers and two interns; however, there is always room for more volunteers! Baldwin Bonanza 2002 propagated plants will be selections from The Arboretum's outstanding collections.

A Fantastic Staff

Last, but certainly not least, a behind the scenes look would not be complete without mentioning our fantastic staff who take care of these facilities. All of the staff have worked very hard in the past year to bring about significant changes in their assigned areas.

Julie Norman is our orchid propagator. Julie also has the responsibility of overseeing all nursery operations, including nursery staff management.

David Okihara maintains the Display Greenhouses.

Thanh Pham, a student professional worker, has been assigned to the accessioning of the orchid collection.

Tanya Finney and Sherry Tobin maintain and manage the propagation nurseries and greenhouses.

Behind the Scenes Tour Planned

Those interested in learning more about the greenhouses and nursery facilities will be able to get a behind the scenes tour this winter when the days are cool and memories of 100 degrees have long since past. So, if you long for warmer days during the winter months, a visit to The Arboretum's greenhouses will certainly warm your spirits. We hope to have a tour date set for the next newsletter. Stay tuned.

Timothy Phillips
Superintendent



Orchid collection



From left to right: Tanya Finney, Julie Norman, David Okihara, Thanh Pham and Sherry Tobin.



Baldwin Bonanza Offerings

RAINFOREST CONSERVATION AND THE SEARCH FOR NEW JUNGLE MEDICINE

On Wednesday, December 5th Dr. Mark J. Plotkin, prolific author and award winning environmentalist, will present his lecture 'Rainforest Conservation and the Search for New Jungle Medicine' in Ayres Hall at 8 pm. This fourth and final event in the 2001 Ethnobotanical Lecture Series is co-sponsored by The Arboretum and Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden.

Conservation

The declining cultural and biological diversity of rainforests has long been known to be the result of the expansion of our technology driven society. Ironically, technological advances in medicine have scientists clamoring for new natural products that could provide treatments for incurable diseases. This lecture will focus on a new approach to protecting indigenous cultures and the medicinal plants that they use. Called Biocultural Conservation, this method links biological and cultural diversity that exists inside the rainforest ecosystem.

A "Hero for the Planet"

Named by Time Magazine as the "Hero for the Planet", Dr. Plotkin has spent much of the past 20 years working with and learning from the traditional shamans of Central and South America. He has served as Research Associate in Ethnobotanical Conservation at the Botanical Museum of Harvard University, as Director of Plant Conservation at the World Wildlife Fund, and as Vice President of Conservation International



in Washington, D.C. Dr. Plotkin currently serves as Research Associate in the Department of Botany at the Smithsonian Institution and as Executive Director of the Amazon Conservation Team, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting cultural and biological diversity in the tropical rainforest.

World Wide Honors & Achievements

In 1994, Dr. Plotkin

joined the ranks of Dr. Jane Goodall, Sir David Attenborough, and His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, by receiving the San Diego Zoo Gold Medal for Conservation. His work has been featured on PBS's *Nova*, National Public Radio, *NBC Nightly News*, and CBS's *48 Hours*, as well as in *Life*, *Newsweek*, *Smithsonian*, *Elle*, and *People*. Last year his work hit the IMAX screen in the Academy Award nominated documentary, *Amazon*.

Dr. Plotkin has spent time behind the pen as well, authoring a book titled *The Shaman's Apprentice*, published by Viking-Penguin, which has since been published in six languages. His critically acclaimed new book titled *Medicine Quest: In Search of Nature's Healing Secrets*, was also published by Viking-Penguin.

Ticket Information:

Tickets are \$12 for members, \$15 for non-members and \$8 for students with valid identification and can be purchased in advance or at the door. For more information call 626-821-4623 or visit www.arboretum.org.

Jim Bauml,
Senior Biologist

A WORK OF ART A LABOR OF LOVE A RARE COLLECTION

For over a decade, Arboretum volunteer, Ken Quigley has spearheaded the enormous project of archiving The Arboretum's Aplin Collection, which was acquired by The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation in 1989.

The Aplin collection houses some 40,000 color slides and an unknown number of black and white slides of plant species and landscapes that were photographed by Bill Aplin. Aplin was hired by Francis Ching, former Director of Arboreta and Botanic Gardens in Los Angeles County to photograph The Arboretum plants and gardens.

Starting out as a pile of slides in boxes, today the collection slides are precisely mounted, specifically identified and arranged neatly in archival files thanks to Ken Quigley and his volunteer team of Carol and Hal Libby, Mary and Tom Conrow, Betty Hoyt, Mitzi Gill and Kathy Liu.

While the future use of the Aplin Collection is yet to be determined, high on the list is use of the collection for education and publishing programs.

Many thanks to Ken and his team for their remarkable dedication over the years to see this project to the finish!

CROSS-POLLINATION

ART EXHIBIT & CLASSES

FLOWERS WILL NEVER LOOK THE SAME!

Is the artwork produced on one side of the country substantially different from the art produced on the other? Is there a creative energy shared between the two coasts?

The Arboretum, long known for presenting rare and unique species of flora to the public of Southern California, is proud to host "Cross-Pollination", the first in what will become a long line of exhibitions that link art with the gardens of The Arboretum. The Arboretum serves as a natural venue for this exhibit with its expansive collection of plants and gardens.

Curators Susan Joyce and Mery Lynn McCorkle invited 100 artists, half from California, half from New York, to participate in "Cross-Pollination", an exhibit of small-scale sculpture.

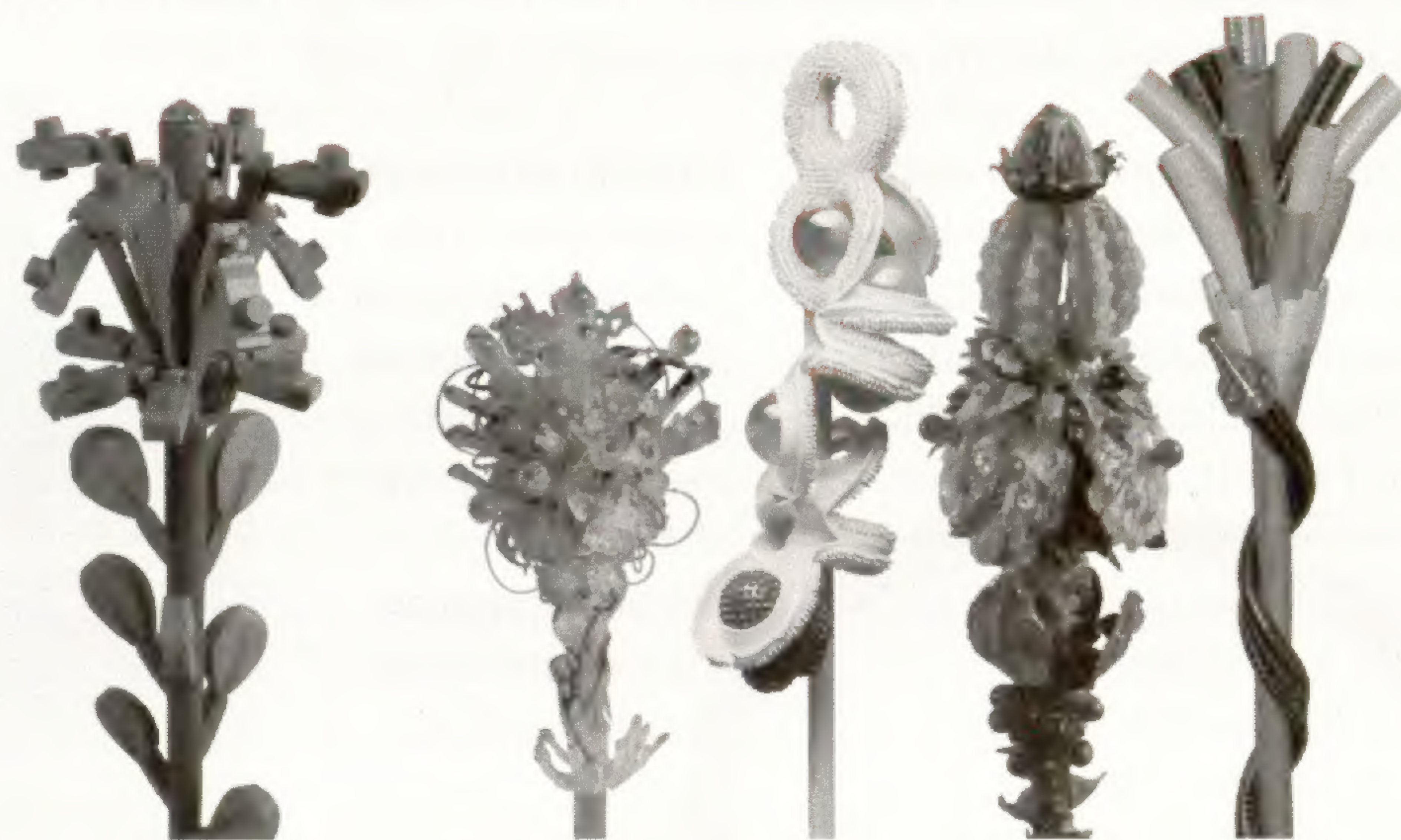
Each participating artist was asked to create a small sculpture somewhat representational of a flower, no larger than 4 x 4 inches, on top of a "stem", no taller than 22 inches. The result is a flowering of art for everyone—from playful to elegant, from floral to mechanical.

As an independent curator, Susan Joyce has organized a variety of recent exhibitions including, "Different Strokes", drawings by Los Angeles artists at Im n Il Gallery in New York, "Lights, Camera, Action", Art and Technology Symposium at Connecticut College, "Out of

Context", exploring the conjunction of language and visual art at the University Art Museum, California State University, San Bernardino.

Sundays are Family Fun Days

Each Sunday throughout the exhibit, activities for the entire family are planned. Don't miss this very special month at The Arboretum!



Sunday, November 4
12 - 2 pm

CHALK FLOWERS SIDEWALK MURAL

Become a sidewalk art master! Join Gilly Shaeffer in filling the walkways of The Arboretum with fanciful flowers. \$7/\$9 non-members

2 - 4 pm

MOSAIC FLOWERS

Build your own unique flower using mosaic paper. Taught by Celena Turney. \$7/\$9 non-members

Sunday, November 11
12 - 2 pm

FREE FAMILY FLOWER CRAFT

2 - 4 pm

BOTANICAL PAINTING "ON THE WILD SIDE"

Capture the beauty of flowers and learn the simple techniques of botanical painting. Instructor Lynn Aldrich suggests family groups take this class with children 8 and up. \$9/\$12 non-members

Sunday, November 18
12 - 2 pm

FREE ARTIST DISCUSSION PANEL - "INTEGRATING ART, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY"

Susan Joyce (Curator, "Cross-Pollination"), Leonardo Bravo (Artist, "Cross-Pollination"), Kimmy McCann (Zone9art), Stephen Metts (Onramparts), Tricia Watts (Ecoartspace)

2 - 4 pm

FLOWER FAIRIES

Come and join Tamara Tolkin in making your own enchanted flower fairies. \$9/\$12 non-members

Sunday, November 25
12 - 2 pm

FREE FAMILY FLOWER CRAFT WORKSHOP

2 - 4 pm

FLOWER WIRE SCULPTURES

Wire flowers? Of course! Perfect for the garden and your imagination! Taught by Christine Yelich-Roberts. \$9/\$12 non-members

Sunday, December 2
12 - 2 pm

FREE FAMILY FLOWER CRAFT WORKSHOP MIXED-MEDIA FLOWER SCULPTURES

Co-sponsored by The Armory Center for the Arts

Create contemporary mixed-media flower sculptures with The Armory Center for the Arts artist Meriel Stern. Meriel will lead participants through the exhibition "Cross-Pollination." Then with inspiration from the artists' works, participants will create their own flowers using similar materials. Limited to 25 participants, 6 years old and up. No charge, though pre-registration suggested.

2 - 4 pm

FLORAL PAPERMAKING

Create your own artful paper and paper gifts using petals, seeds, and other plant material. Taught by Lisa Beach. \$9/\$12 non-members

Sylvia Guerrero
Director, Special Events

NEW "GARDENING IN A MEDITERRANEAN CLIMATE" CLASS

Mention mediterranean gardening and romantic images spring to mind. The Mediterranean is, after all, that "cloudless clime of starry nights" that Byron rhapsodized over while in Italy, and the sunny beaches of Spain and France where Sara and Gerald Murphy practiced living well.

A mediterranean climate does not only exist in those countries that border the Mediterranean Sea (and which include North Africa and Israel). Parts of Chile, western Australia, South Africa, and our own California, also enjoy a mediterranean climate, characterized by hot, dry summers and cool, wet winters. It is perhaps the finest climate for growing more varieties of plants than anywhere else on earth. This class will focus on the dual aspects of gardening in a mediterranean climate.

Native Plants

First, there are the native plants from mediterranean climates around the world that offer an exciting palette of textures and colors for the garden. From Elephant Foot to Erythras, ice plants to 'Sticks on Fire,' potato vines to proteas, they offer sizzle to the California gardener in a landscape that will use significantly less water than the traditional English cottage garden.

Synonymous Plants

At the same time there are plants that, while not native to mediterranean climates, have become synonymous with that ambiance. Who can picture an Italian villa without seeing clouds of roses scrambling over the sun-baked walls or weaving

through plantings of lavender. This class will focus on the new Generosa and Romantica roses coming out of Provence, similar in appearance to the David Austin roses but bred in a climate better suited to California than are the English roses, which tend to get leggy in our balmy weather.

The Unusual & Interesting

We'll also look at fruitless olive trees, bananas that will fruit here, fragrant iris, shade-tolerant daylilies, and a host of other unusual and interesting plants that work well in our mediterranean gardens. More importantly, we will discuss reducing herbicides, eliminating pesticides, and creating healthy soils that sustain plants with a minimum of fertilizer.

Finally, we'll explore ways to reduce or eliminate lawns in favor of gardens with water features, heady fragrances, colorful butterflies, singing birds, and masses of flowers, all part of the luxury and languor of a mediterranean garden.

See calendar insert for class details.

Contributed by Jill Vig



BOTANICAL ART IN APRIL!

The Botanical Artists Guild of Southern California and The Arboretum are co-sponsoring an exciting new event, Botanical Art at The Arboretum, April 20-28, 2002.

The exhibition of contemporary botanical paintings and drawings will depict realistic but artistic renderings of a variety of Southern California plants. Many of the artists in the show have had their work included in exhibitions throughout the country.

Watch for more information on this Art Exhibit in the next newsletter.

IN MEMORY

Pat Brame, Botanical Watercolor instructor since 1987, once wrote that teaching her class at The Arboretum was, "the joy of my life." Her philosophy and her infectious enjoyment, along with her ability to communicate and encourage her students, left an indelible mark on her class participants.

Pat passed away on Friday, September 21st. She had waged a ferocious battle with cancer, in her own gentle way, for the past year, having once beaten it into remission.

Pat had developed such a devoted following for her class that her students still meet on Mondays to continue their passion for painting – a love that she helped instill. In memory, they will soon be placing a commemorative plaque in her honor at The Arboretum.

Pat's legacy also lives on in The Arboretum Library, where some of her drawing manuals now reside, lovingly donated by her husband Arden. In lieu of flowers, her family asks that donations be made to The Augustan Society, Inc. P.O. Box 75, Daggett, CA 92327-0075.

THE QUEEN ANNE COTTAGE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9

Step back in time and experience a whimsical wonderland during this traditional Holiday Tour

Enjoy The Arboretum's historical Queen Anne Cottage on Sunday, December 9, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Small groups, led by Arboretum docents, will tour the cottage and enjoy delightful decorations created by members of the history/preservation committee of The Arboretum's volunteer organization, Los Voluntarios. Three uniquely decorated Christmas trees will be featured in the parlor, music room and bedroom of the cottage. A mini-history lesson about the illustrious Elias J. "Lucky" Baldwin also is included.



The holiday opening of the Queen Anne Cottage is an Arboretum tradition, started in the late 1970s. It's a labor of love for over 50 volunteers who team up to decorate and staff the historical cottage.

Following a tour of the

Queen Anne Cottage, don't miss a visit to The Arboretum's historic Santa Anita Depot, reminiscent of the time when railroads ruled the land.

Tours are free with Arboretum admission.

A GIFT OF HISTORY

Many thanks to Artist Doris Finch of Altadena for her tapestry creation that is now featured in the Rotunda entrance. On loan to The Arboretum, it tells the story of Los Angeles cities, from wickiups to the missions to the skyscrapers we know today. So, the next time you visit The Arboretum, be sure to take time to look at this award-winning representation of our history.

GONG HAY FAT CHOY!

In celebration of the Chinese New Year, American Chinese Television and The Arboretum will host a special Tea Ceremony celebration. Teas have long been an integral part of the human experience and have a special significance in Asian culture.

The fragrant scent of tea will fill the air each Sunday during the month of January. Festivities will take place at the Gift Shop Garden Patio and feature tea tastings.

The Los Angeles Chinese Tea Association will be on hand to perform a special Chinese tea ceremony to celebrate the New Year. There will be two teas each Sunday; one at 2:00pm and one at 3:00pm.

As January is also National Tea Month, each Sunday will highlight a different form of tea:

January 6: Herbal and Medicinal Tea; January 13: Flower Tea; January 20: English and Western Tea; January 27: The Legend of Chinese Tea. Specialty tea items will also be available for purchase.

The events are free with general admission but seating is limited on a first come first served basis.



FILM EXHIBIT AT PASADENA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

HOLLYWOOD AND THE ARBORETUM

Now through January 6th, the Pasadena Historical Museum is hosting "Hollywood Comes to Pasadena", a pictorial essay about the western San Gabriel Valley's contributions to the film industry dating back to 1898.

The exhibit showcases all 102 major motion pictures and 25 television shows that have been filmed at The Arboretum.

The Pasadena Historical Museum is located at 470 West Walnut Street. For more information about the exhibit, call (626) 577-1660. *When you're done looking at pictures, come here and see the real thing!*



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Gift Shop Open House

Sunday December 9th, 9am to 7pm

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